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Application of: Bravo-Vasquez and Hill

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OF MATERIALS FROM
MESOMORPHOUS FILMS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.115, please consider and enter the following preliminary amendment and remarks. Applicant submits concurrently herewith: (a) a fee sheet; (b) an appendix showing a marked up form of the amended claim, attached hereto as Appendix A; and (c) a listing of the claims as pending upon entry of this preliminary amendment, attached hereto as Appendix B.

AMENDMENT

In The Claims

Please amend claim 15 as follows (a complete listing of all pending claims is included):

15. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said metal complex comprises one or more metal atoms bonded to one or more ligands, at least one of said one or more ligands is bonded to said metal complex by a chemical bond which is broken by the absorption of electromagnetic radiation, and wherein said complex is unstable when said at least one ligand is removed.

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